Mrs Clarke
Harewood Village Post
Wetherby

My dear Miss Keats

I am almost
ashamed to write to you though
I have been waiting for above three
weeks to do so but I hope you will
forgive me, for it is not quite my
fault. On the 23rd of December, Mr
Brown received a letter from your
brother in which he desired that
someone would write to you, to say

he was as well he could expect, and
that we should hear from him in a
few days. This letter I waited for some
time but as we have received, since
that a letter from Mr Severn, in which
no mention is made of it I conclude
he changed his mind fearful that
the exertion might fatigue him.
When Mr Severn wrote they were in
Rome after a most wretched journey
they lodged opposite an English Phy
sician to whom they were recommended

and who paid them the greatest attention. Your brother went out on horseback every day. I am extremely glad they have chosen Rome instead of Naples for their winter residence. I am sure if the climate is far preferable besides the disturbed state Naples seems likely to be in, and which no doubt influenced them to quit it.

Do, my dear Girl, if you have any intelligence of them, let me know it.

however trifling we shall feel it of
the greatest consequence. The time
is so long before either party can
receive letters, that it makes me
very impatient. My Mother desires
her best remembrance to you, and
believe me to remain

Yours most affectionately

Frances Browne

Monday Morn